PROCLAMATION by the Governor of the State of California

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the agricultural industry and the safety of agricultural properties and products exist with the County of San Diego, caused by an infestation of the Mexican fruit fly; and

- **WHEREAS**, as a result of this infestation the County of San Diego has proclaimed a local emergency and has requested that the Governor proclaim a State of Emergency in San Diego County; and
- **WHEREAS**, by reason of its magnitude the infestation is beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of San Diego County, thereby requiring a proclamation of a State of Emergency; and
- **WHEREAS**, under the under the authority of the Emergency Services Act, section 8558(b) of the Government Code, I find that a State of Emergency exists within San Diego County;
- **NOW, THEREFORE, I, GRAY DAVIS**, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the Emergency Services Act, and in particular sections 8625 and 8558(b) of the Government Code, HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY to exist within the County of San Diego.

Pursuant to this Proclamation, I issue these orders to be effective immediately:

- **IT IS ORDERED** that the California Department of Food and Agriculture implement a program for the immediate eradication of the Mexican fruit fly, and to prevent and alleviate damage from this emergency.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all agencies and departments of state government utilize and employ state personnel, equipment and facilities to assist the California Department of Food and Agriculture as necessary to immediately alleviate this emergency, consistent with the State Emergency Plan as coordinated by the Office of Emergency Services.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the California Department of Food and Agriculture shall, as expeditiously as possible, enter into contracts and arrangements for the procurement of all materials, goods, and services necessary to mitigate the effects of this emergency. Pursuant to the Government Code section 8571, the provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code applicable to state contracts, including, but not limited to, advertising and competitive bidding requirements, are hereby suspended to the extent they would prevent, hinder, or delay prompt mitigation of the effects of this emergency.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, including Government Code section 8550, the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, in consultation with the Office of Emergency Services, shall have responsibility for directing and coordinating the efforts of state, local and private agencies and vendors called upon to assist in mitigating the effects of the emergency and coordinating with federal agencies.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given to this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 17th day of December 2002.

Governor of California

ATTEST:

Secretary of State